

A large, rusted metal cross is the central focus of the image. The cross is made of thick, weathered metal bars that are heavily corroded, with bright orange and red rust spots and streaks contrasting against the dark, almost black, background. The background has a rough, pebbled texture, similar to asphalt or concrete. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the texture of the rust and the metallic surfaces of the cross.

Our Rejected Savior

Two others—criminals—were also led away to be executed with him. When they arrived at the place called The Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals, one on the right and one on the left. Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, because they do not know what they are doing.”

Luke 23:32–34 CSB

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Then one of the criminals hanging there began to yell insults at him: "Aren't you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!"

Luke 23:39 CSB

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But the other answered, rebuking him: "Don't you even fear God, since you are undergoing the same punishment? We are punished justly, because we're getting back what we deserve for the things we did, but this man has done nothing wrong."

Luke 23:40–41 CSB

Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

Luke 23:42 CSB

And he said to him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

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